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Next Stage of LaGrange Road (US 45) Project begins Friday

CHICAGO – The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) announced that the east legs of both 149th Street and 156th Street at US 45 (LaGrange Road) in Orland Park will be closed for intersection reconstruction beginning, weather permitting, Friday, April 10.

In order to complete the work, detours will be posted for motorists to move around the area. The 149th Street detour will direct traffic to 147th Street and John Humphrey Drive. The 156th Street detour will direct traffic to 159th Street and 94th Avenue. Motorists will be able to access all businesses along both 149th and 156th Streets.

These two closures are part of the ongoing project along LaGrange Road (US 45), which continues through Orland Park, Orland Hills, Palos Park and Tinley Park. The 6.6 mile project, which stretches from 131st Street to 179th Street, includes roadway widening and other reconstruction to ultimately provide three lanes in each direction separated by a landscaped median.

The side street intersections should reopen in early May.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to flaggers and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits and be on the alert for workers and equipment.

Find details on other construction projects in IDOT's District 1 at <http://goo.gl/upgvZu>. Updates on the impacts to traffic are available at www.travelmidwest.com.

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